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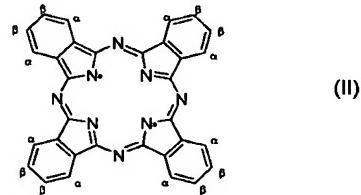
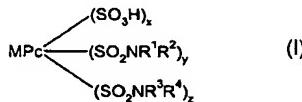
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(57) Abstract: A composition comprising: (a) a major dye component which is a mixture of phthalocyanine dyes of Formula (I) and salts thereof: (Formula I); wherein: M is Cu or Ni; Pc represents a phthalocyanine nucleus of formula (II); R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> independently are H or optionally substituted C<sub>1-4</sub>-alkyl; R<sup>4</sup> is optionally substituted C<sub>1-4</sub>-hydroxyalkyl; x is 0.1 to 3.8; y is 0.1 to 3.8; z is 0.1 to 3.8; the sum of (x+y+z) is 4, and the substituents, represented by x, y and z, are attached to a β position on the phthalocyanine ring; and (b) a liquid medium which comprises water, water and an organic solvent or an organic solvent free from water. Also novel dyes, ink-jet printing processes, printed images, printers and cartridges.